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DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS TO SECRETARY FROM THE AMBASSADOR

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SUBJECT: KING HUSSEIN AND THE SHAH

1. MINISTER OF COURT ALAM ASKED ME TO SEND YOU A MESSAGE FROM THE SHAH TO THE EFFECT THAT "HE HOPES YOU WILL NOT LET KING HUSSEIN DOWN" ON HIS PURCHASE OF AN AIR DEFENSE SYSTEM. THIS MESSAGE ORIGINATES FROM CONVERSATIONS WHICH THE TWO MONARCHS HELD AT NOWSHAHR THE END OF LAST WEEK, AT WHICH TIME THE SHAH PROMISED KING HUSSEIN THAT HE WOULD ADD HIS VOICE TO THE LATTER'S SUPPORT.

2. I QUICKLY ASSURED ALAM, AND ASKED HIM TO PASS MY STATEMENTS TO THE SHAH, THAT THE PRESIDENT AND YOU WERE DOING EVERYTHING WITHIN YOUR POWER TO REVERSE CONGRESSIONAL ATTITUDES NOT ONLY ON JORDAN BUT ALSO ON TURKEY. I WENT OVER WITH HIM POINTS DERIVED FROM YOUR PRE-DEPARTURE PRESS CONFERENCE AND OTHER MATERIAL AVAILABLE HERE.

3. ALTHOUGH ONE MIGHT BE TEMPTED TO REGARD THE SHAH'S MESSAGE AS GRATUITOUS, I THINK IT IS PROBABLY MORE FAIR TO SAY THAT IT EXEMPLIFIES A DEEP CONCERN HERE ABOUT THE TREND OF EVENTS IN CONGRESS AS IT APPLIES TO THIS AREA OF THE WORLD.

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